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Press Release-Mental Health Disturbance

On March 9, 2021, at approximately 1335 hours, the Winooski Police Department received a report of a disturbance located at 246 ½ Main Street. Upon arrival, it was learned that the incident was isolated to a single person who was in possession of a knife.

The despondent 38-year-old male was suffering from a mental health issue and was uttering suicidal ideations. The male was alone in his apartment and no other individuals were at risk.

The Burlington Police Department's negotiators and Emergency Response Team/Vehicle responded to the scene to assist. The Community Outreach Team and a Howard Mental Health Case Worker also provided support.

After a couple hours, the male was safely taken into protective custody and was transported to the University of Vermont Medical Center.

The Winooski Police Department would like to thank the Burlington Police Department, Chittenden County Sheriff's Department, Winooski Fire Department, Community Outreach Team and Howard Mental Health for their assistance during this incident.

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